STATE OF IOWA

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE:

PEOPLES NATURAL GAS COMPANY, DIVISION OF UTILICORP UNITED INC.

DOCKET NO. WRU-99-33-225

ORDER GRANTING WAIVER

(Issued September 9, 1999)

On August 26, 1999, Peoples Natural Gas Company, Division of UtiliCorp United Inc. (Peoples), filed with the Utilities Board (Board) an application for waiver of the filing date contained in IOWA ADMIN. CODE 199-33.5 (1999). This rule requires those utilities equaling or exceeding the filing threshold file a cost allocation manual for nonutility activities on or before September 1 of each year. Peoples asks that it be granted a permanent waiver or extension to file its cost allocation manual on or before December 31 of each year.

In support of its request, Peoples states that the corporate cost allocation manual for each year from UtiliCorp United Inc. is not available until December, and that this corporate manual has a direct effect on the cost allocation manual filed by Peoples. Peoples notes that the September 1 deadline would require Peoples to file information that would be outdated within three months.

The Board will grant the waiver request. Extending the deadline for filing to December 31 of each year will allow Peoples to incorporate current corporate

changes in its cost allocation manual. This waiver will apply to the current year's filing and to subsequent manual filings unless otherwise ordered by the Board.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

The request for waiver filed on August 26, 1999, by Peoples Natural Gas
Company, Division of UtiliCorp United Inc., is granted. Peoples shall file its cost
allocation manual for 1999 and subsequent years on or before December 31 of each
year, unless otherwise ordered by the Board.

UTILITIES BOARD

/s/ Allan T. Thoms /s/ Susan J. Frye ATTEST: /s/ Judi K. Cooper /s/ Diane Munns Executive Secretary, Deputy

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 9th day of September, 1999.